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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

JORGE SALHUANA, Individually and on  
behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

DIAMOND FOODS, INC., MICHAEL J.  
MENDES, and STEVEN M. NEIL,

Defendants.

Case No.: 11-cv-05386-WHA

DECLARATION OF JAMES M. WILSON, JR. IN  
SUPPORT OF MOTION OF THE MISSISSIPPI  
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
FOR CONSOLIDATION AND APPOINTMENT  
OF LEAD PLAINTIFF

Date: February 23, 2012  
Time: 2:00 p.m.  
Courtroom: 8, 19th Floor  
Judge: Hon. William H. Alsup

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1 RICHARD MITCHEM, Individually and  
2 on behalf of all others similarly situated,

3 Plaintiff,

4 v.

5 DIAMOND FOODS, INC., MICHAEL J.  
6 MENDES, and STEVEN M. NEIL,

7 Defendants.

Case No.: 11-cv-05399-WHA

8 STEWART WOODWARD, Individually  
9 and on behalf of all others similarly  
10 situated,

11 Plaintiff,

12 v.

13 DIAMOND FOODS, INC., MICHAEL J.  
14 MENDES, and STEVEN M. NEIL,

15 Defendants.

Case No.: 11-cv-05409-WHA

16 GARY RALL and MARION RALL, On  
17 behalf of themselves and all others  
18 similarly situated,

19 Plaintiffs,

20 v.

21 DIAMOND FOODS, INC., MICHAEL J.  
22 MENDES, and STEVEN M. NEIL,

23 Defendants.

Case No.: 11-cv-05457-WHA

24 GARY SIMON, Individually and on behalf  
25 of all others similarly situated,

26 Plaintiff,

27 v.

28 DIAMOND FOODS, INC., MICHAEL J.  
MENDES, and STEVEN M. NEIL,

Defendants.

Case No.: 11-cv-05479-WHA

HENRY J. MACFARLAND, Individually  
and on behalf of all others similarly  
situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

DIAMOND FOODS, INC., MICHAEL J.  
MENDES, and STEVEN M. NEIL,

Defendants.

Case No.: 11-cv-05615-WHA

I, JAMES M. WILSON, JR., hereby declare as follows:

1. I am an attorney admitted to practice law in the states of New York and Georgia, and I am a partner of the law firm of Chitwood Harley Harnes LLP, which represents the Mississippi Public Employees' Retirement System ("Mississippi PERS").

2. I make this Declaration in Support of Mississippi PERS' Motion for Consolidation and Appointment of Lead Plaintiff.

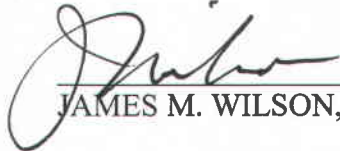
3. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true and correct copy of the signed certification of Mississippi PERS, pursuant to the requirements of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. 15 U.S.C. § 78u-4(a)(2).

4. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a true and correct copy of the chart detailing the losses of Mississippi PERS.

5. Attached hereto as Exhibit C is a true and correct copy of the Notice to Class members that was published by counsel for plaintiff in the first-filed action on November 7, 2011 on *Business Wire*.

1 I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the  
2 foregoing is true and correct.

3 Executed this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January 2012.

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6 JAMES M. WILSON, JR.